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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO BLUE LANTERN LICENSE 050092728

REF: A. STATE 35834 <u>¶</u>B. STATE 31007

- $\P1$. (U) This is a response to STATE 35384 regarding BLUE LANTERN end use check on license 050092728.
- 12. (U) Post has contacted the Multi-National Security Transition Command in Iraq (MNSTC-I) J-4 and they confirm the receipt of DTC Case 050092728, to include 7,500 M&P9 Pistols, 9mm, from Smith & Wesson Corp via email channels. The weapons arrived, and serial numbers have been logged and reported to LOGSA. The weapons are currently at the Taji National Depot Complex, the supply depot in Taji, north of Baghdad that, per MNSTC-I policy statement #03-08, served as the principle depot for distribution for all U.S.-provided defense articles for the Iraqi Security Forces (ISF). The Iraqi Security Assistance Mission (ISAM, formerly SAO) is also aware of the receipt and was informed via phone and email channels.
- 13. (U) Verification was completed based on agreed procedures after joint DOS Blue Lantern/DOD Golden Sentry team visit in February (ref B). Post's POL-MIL section worked directly with MNSTC-I J4 and ISAM to coordinate verification and confirm receipt in compliance with NDAA Section 1228. FORD